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In re Application of

Takuma Saito, et al.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 26, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-13, and 15 - 23 are all the claims presently pending in the application. The Specification and claims 1, 13, and 17-21 are amended to more clearly define the invention and claim 14 is canceled. Claims 1, 13, and 20 are independent.

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 U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/085,585  
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Dear Examiner Lopez:

Enclosed is the Amendment, responsive to the September 26, 2003 Office Action, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,



James E. Howard

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